

GILLETT DENOUNCES FEDERAL OWNERSHIP

Warns That Under It Rail Employees Would Carry Wages Into Politics.

CLASS RULE IS FOSTERED

Wants Roads Turned Back and Given Leeway to Unite Under Control.

Opposition to Government ownership of the railroad and telegraph lines was voiced at a Republican Club luncheon yesterday by Representative Frederick H. Gillett of Massachusetts, ranking Republican member of the House Committee on Appropriations and mentioned for Speaker.

"As a rule," Mr. Gillett said, "I do not think operation of a business by a republic is efficient. It has a tendency to check initiative and invention, to locate improvements on the principle of the pork barrel rather than on real necessity, and to charge part of the cost of operation to the taxpayers rather than to the patrons. Our experience of the last year has not made Government ownership more popular."

Wages Enter Into Politics.

"But there is another angle from which a member of an appropriating committee is forced to view it. All Government employees look to Congress to determine their scale of wages. So that becomes a political question. To the men interested it is the most important political question. And the opinion of each member of Congress on that question, regardless of his other qualifications, is likely to determine the vote of those constituents who are interested."

"When the number of such constituents is small it is not important, but when they become numerous and organized they might profoundly affect elections. And a class is created (every one a voter, as Mr. McAdoo said) who have an interest in the election quite separate from others and of a nature so personal and vital to them as to be apt to control their vote."

"When some great and overshadowing issue sweeps the country, when our emotions are appealed to, as by the recent war, such questions of salary may be disregarded. But in normal times the Congressman who is seeking election will always have the selfish incentive to promise his vote for increased salaries and privileges quite irrespective of their justice, and the larger that class of Government employees becomes the more difficult will it be for a man to be elected who does not pledge himself to regard the interests of one class of his constituents first and the interests of the people as a whole second."

No Remedy Discernible for This.

"That is a danger inherent in Government ownership for which I see no remedy. No one would advocate here the plan once adopted in England of disfranchising Government employees because they could not cast a disinterested vote."

"And so this is to my mind another practical argument in favor of turning back the operation of the railroads to their owners, give them a free hand to make such combinations and restrictions as tend to economical traffic, and then prevent them from exploiting the shipper and traveler by Government supervision."

"We ought never to go back to the preposterous and expensive condition which prevailed before the war, with numerous conflicting jurisdictions and authority and responsibility separated, but I trust we shall as soon as possible escape from the dangerous condition which prevails today."

Mr. Gillett also bespoke reforms in the methods of handling and appropriating Government appropriations. Out of twenty years in the Appropriations Committee of the House he said that few subjects were more vital in the reorganization of our industrial life, and that there ought to be a popular revolt against the present system, "which is singularly adapted to encourage extravagance and waste."

In 1908 Congress passed a law making it the duty of the President to calculate the revenues of each coming year and if the estimates of department heads were too high to reduce them or suggest how the revenues could be increased.

Wilson Has Ignored Law.

"That was the germ of an intelligent budget system," said Mr. Gillett. "But there is of course no penalty upon the President for ignoring this duty, and during this Administration, while the estimates of expenditures have largely exceeded the probable revenues, the President has regularly disobeyed the law and failed to present to Congress the required budget."

He said that when taxation was light the present system was objectionable and now it had become unendurable. But "until the people realize some of the evils of our present condition and bring pressure on Congress to change it we shall certainly drift along as we are. An aroused public opinion is the only force which can move the inertia of Congress."

Ex-Senator Burton Speaks.

Theodore E. Burton, ex-Senator from Ohio, said:

"We cannot expect at this moment that there can be formed a United States of the world; the best we can hope for is something that will preserve peace. I believe in a League of Nations and also in a permanent international court of conciliation."

"The Monroe Doctrine was never much of a fetish with me. It was never intended to exercise a guardianship over Mexico and Central and South American countries, but was promulgated when we were rather a weak nation and to protect ourselves."

Other speakers were Representative La Guardia and the Rev. Dr. William F. Dierke, president of Kenyon College.

ROUNDING UP DRAFT DODGERS.

Department of Justice Begins to Arrest Returned Deserters.

Boston, Feb. 8.—A general round up of draft evaders was begun in Boston and surrounding cities and towns today by police officers and agents of the Department of Justice. Federal officials explained that men who failed to answer the call of their draft boards to report for duty automatically became deserters. Many of these delinquents disappeared, but since the signing of the armistice, it is said, they have been returning quietly to their homes in the expectation that no further action would be taken. Those arrested will be sent to Fort Banks and held for trial by court martial.

Miss Hankin's Baby Bill Reported.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 8.—A favorable report was voted by the House Labor Committee today on a bill introduced by Representative Hankin (Mont.) authorizing Federal aid to States in decreasing the infant mortality rate by encouraging instruction in proper care of mother and child and use of the facilities of health organizations.



In 1826, a London Letter said "the fashionable colors were Amber, Violet, Marsh-mallow Blossom, Ceranium of Andalusia, Jonquil, Cafe-a-la-creme and Indian Yellow."

Lord & Taylor

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In 1826, a new Stage Coach was expected to make Winter travelling to ALBANY more comfortable and Speedy

REMARKABLE VALUES FEATURED FOR TOMORROW

The Linen Section's Best Contribution to the Great Anniversary Sale Specials

Irish Hand-Embroidered Pure Linen Sheets

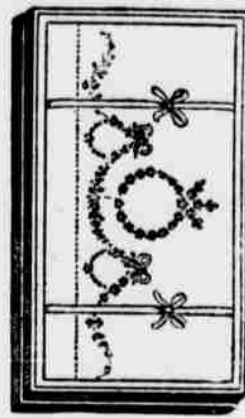
The Entire Surplus Stock of William Liddell & Co., Belfast, Ireland, makers of the famous "Gold Medal" Brand Linens

At the Lowest Prices We Have Known for Years \$9.00, \$10.00, \$12.00, \$15.00 and \$17.50 each

Plain linen sheets sell regularly today for higher prices than we quote for those beautiful hand-embroidered goods.

Hand-Embroidered Pure Linen Madeira Tea Napkins

Reduced to \$4.95 a Dozen—Extraordinary Value



200 Dozen Towels

Extra quality pure Irish linen huck Towels; reduced to

\$7.85
dozen

A Large Quantity of Pure Irish Linen Damask

Table Cloths and Napkins to Match

Beautiful circular designs—greatly reduced

Table Cloths

\$5.95
each

Napkins

\$7.95
dozen

200 Dozen Towels

Hemmed Crash Towels for tea or pantry use; reduced to

\$2.95
dozen

Second Floor.

Important Men's High Grade Shirt Event One of the Fine Anniversary Sale Values

3000 of Them

Will Be on Sale When the Store Opens Tomorrow, Monday, at the Very Low Price

\$2.15

Splendid Fabrics

Silk striped and fibre striped madras, also fine corded combed yarn and Italian Silk lustre striped madras.

The Patterns present the very latest ideas for Spring wear in rich color combinations.

Shirts correctly cut, splendidly finished, and there are various sleeve lengths in each size.



Shirts that in every detail will please well dressed men—and at a price that would not be possible but for arrangements made months ago in anticipation of the Anniversary Event

Men's Fine Silk Shirts, \$6.65

Superior Qualities Greatly Reduced

In this collection there are many of the very finest silk shirts in the store taken from our higher priced lines and reduced for the occasion. Why? Because a thorough search-

ing of the market did not reveal shirts of the quality you would want at a price in keeping with the Anniversary Sale.

Ground Floor.

Anniversary Sale—5,000 yds.

Fine Cretonnes

Affording Values Very Unusual

At 59c Yard

The fabrics are all of superior quality and regularly sold at much higher prices. The Sale will interest those who require Curtains, Hangings, Silp Covers, Cushions, etc., for the city or country home.

Cretonnes

At 33c Yard

Discontinued patterns that have retailed at a great deal more.

Filet Net Curtains

300 pairs—plain or figured centers, lace edge and fancy border; pair..

\$2.15

Bordered Marquisette

At 19c Yard

2,000 yards in white, ivory and ecru; 36 inches wide.

Armure Portieres

30 pairs only—mulberry, brown or green colorings, reversible; 7 feet 9 inches long; pair..

\$7.00

Fifth Floor.

Four Anniversary Specials in House Furnishings

For Tomorrow, Monday only



Universal Bread Maker

No. 4—illustrated, capacity, 2 to 6 loaves

\$2.95

Genuine Kreamer Wash Boiler.

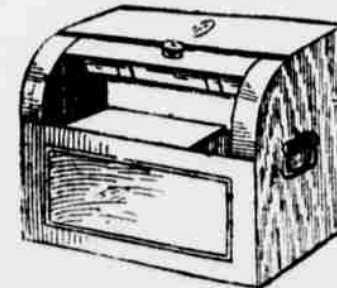
extra heavy charcoal tin, heavy copper bottom,

\$3.25

Whole Willow Clothes Basket.

strongly made, family size,

\$1.85



Kreamer Bread Box

No. 1—illustrated, roll top, white japanned

\$2.45

Seventh Floor.

An Important Purchase of

225 Royal Wilton Rugs

Offered as a Very Special Anniversary Feature at About Present Manufacturers' Costs

36 x 63 inches.....\$9.50 8 1/4 x 10 feet.....\$54.50
6 x 9 feet.....\$29.50 9 x 12 feet.....\$57.50

(We cannot send these rugs on approval)

Oriental Rugs

Scatter Sizes—Attractive Anniversary Offerings

Beluchistan Rugs

Dark rich colorings, dull reds, blues and ivory. Sizes approximately 2 1/2 x 4 1/2 feet.

\$29.50

Mosuls and Cabistans

Excellent weaves in very desirable designs and colorings. Sizes approximately 3 1/2 x 5 1/2 feet.

\$37.50

Fifth Floor.

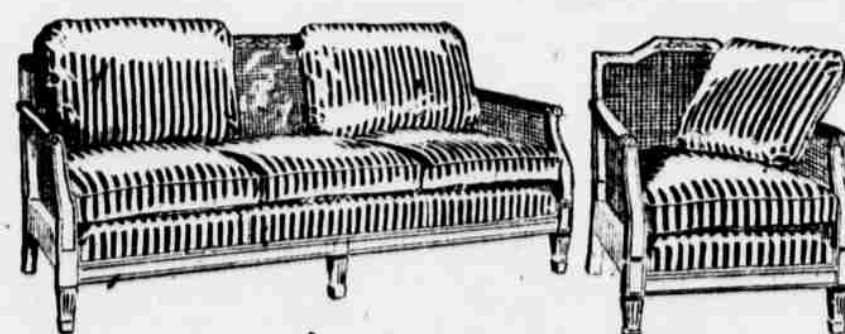
The Lord & Taylor Midwinter Sale of Furniture

Features Tomorrow, Splendid Values in

Suites for the Bed Room, Living Room and Dining Room at Special Anniversary Prices

Living Room Suite

Two-piece Solid Mahogany Living Room Suite (illustrated).....Special Price **\$195.00**



Two-piece Queen Anne Living Room Suite. Special Price **\$122.75**

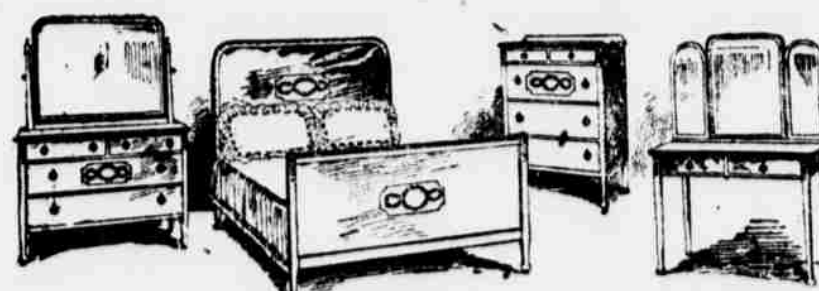
Two-piece Louis XVI. Living Room Suite. Special Price **\$295.00**

Two-piece Velour Living Room Suite. Special Price **\$495.00**

Three-piece Louis XV. Living Room Suite. Special Price, **\$825.00**

Bed Room Suite

Four-piece Bed Room Suite (illustrated) in mahogany. Special Price **\$245.00**



Louis XVI. Bed Room Suite in walnut or mahogany. Special Price **\$195.00**

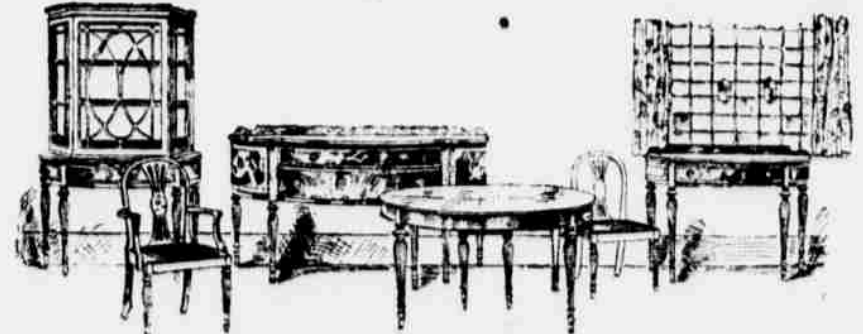
Hepplewhite Bed Room Suite in walnut. Special Price **\$218.00**

Sheraton Bed Room Suite in mahogany or walnut. Special Price **\$335.00**

Louis XVI. Bed Room Suite in mahogany or ivory. Special Price, **\$345.00**

Dining Room Suite

Ten-piece Hepplewhite Dining Room Suite (illustrated), selected figured mahogany.....Special Price **\$625.00**



Ten-piece William and Mary Dining Room Suite. Special Price **\$335.00**

Ten-piece Queen Anne Dining Room Suite. Special Price **\$395.00**

Ten-piece Italian Renaissance Dining Room Suite. Special Price **\$395.00**

Ten-piece Chippendale Dining Room Suite. Special Price **\$690.00**

Ten-piece Hepplewhite Dining Room Suite. Special Price **\$695.00**

Sixth Floor.